

## SENATE BILL No. 246

### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-22-11-11.5.

**Synopsis:** Hunting and fishing by veterans. Allows a veteran of the armed forces to hunt and fish without obtaining a license. Requires an individual, before exercising this privilege, to provide evidence to the department of natural resources (DNR), a clerk of circuit court, or a subagent of the DNR showing that the individual is a veteran. Requires the director of the DNR to adopt rules specifying the types of documents or information that an individual must present to verify that the individual is a veteran.

**Effective:** July 1, 2001; July 1, 2002.

**Clark**

January 9, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-11-11.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: **Sec. 11.5. (a) As used in this section,**  
4 **"armed forces" means the following military services of the United**  
5 **States:**

6 (1) **The Army.**

7 (2) **The Navy.**

8 (3) **The Air Force.**

9 (4) **The Marine Corps.**

10 (5) **The Coast Guard.**

11 (b) **As used in this section, "veteran" means an individual who:**

12 (1) **has served on active duty in one (1) of the armed forces;**  
13 **and**

14 (2) **has received a discharge or separation under honorable**  
15 **conditions.**

16 (c) **A veteran may hunt or fish for any species that may legally**  
17 **be taken under this article, during the season when the taking of**



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1 the species is legal under this article, without:

2 (1) obtaining a license; or

3 (2) paying a fee;

4 that is otherwise required for the taking of the species under  
5 IC 14-22-12-1.

6 (d) Before hunting or fishing under this section, an individual  
7 must present evidence to:

8 (1) the department;

9 (2) a clerk of circuit court; or

10 (3) a subagent designated under IC 14-22-12-10;  
11 that the individual is a veteran.

12 (e) The director shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to administer  
13 this section. The rules must specify the types of documents or  
14 information that an individual must present under subsection (d)  
15 to verify that the individual is a veteran.

16 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] (a) The director of the  
17 department of natural resources shall adopt the rules required by  
18 IC 14-22-11-11.5, as added by this act, before July 1, 2002.

19 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2002.

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